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RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF APPLICATION

Sir:

In response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application dated September 26, 2001,

enclosed are the following:

Part 2 of Formalities Letter or Form PTO-1533 (Notice to File Missing Parts of Application)

Declaration and Power of Attorney for the above-identified application which has been executed by the named inventor(s)

Applicant claims small entity status

Check in the amount of \$65.00 to cover the surcharge under 37 C.F.R.§ 1.16(e)

English Translation and \$130.00 (37 CFR 1.17(k)) fee for filing late.

Other: Substitute Drawings (13 sheets)

Any additional fee or credit may be charged to our Deposit Account No. 16-0605.

Respectfully submitted,

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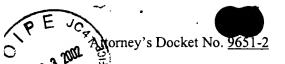
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SUBMITTAL OF DECLARATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.63 FOR SMALL ENTITY

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An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The oath or declaration is missing.

 A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(l) of \$65 for a small entity in compliance with 37 CFR 1.27, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- The balance due by applicant is \$ 65.

The application is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below.

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- Substitute drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 because:
 - drawing sheets do not have the appropriate margin(s) (see 37 CFR 1.84(g)). Each sheet must include a top margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a left side margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a right side margin of at least 1.5 cm. (5/8 inch), and a bottom margin of at least 1.0 cm. (3/8 inch);

A copy of this notice <u>MUST</u> be returned with the reply.

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